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ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

Control No. 463829
EIC-M-62
14 August 1957

Minutes of Meeting Held in
Room 1121, Temporary M Building
26th Street and Constitution Avenue, N. W.

8 August 1957

PRESENT

25X1A9a Dr. Otto E. Guthe, CIA, Chairman
[REDACTED] CIA, Vice Chairman
Dr. Wilhelm Anderson, Department of Agriculture
Colonel Robert M. Brewer, Department of the Army
Commander Charles B. Brouillette, Department of the Navy
25X1A9a [REDACTED] CIA
Mr. Bennett V. S. Davis, Department of the Navy
Mr. John W. Easton, Joint Staff (JCS)
*Mr. Charles E. Grim, Department of Commerce
Mr. Philip C. G. Habib, Department of State
Mr. Kingsley W. Hamilton, Department of the Air Force
Mr. Leon M. Herman, Department of Commerce
25X1A9a [REDACTED] CIA
Mr. Robert P. Terrill, Department of State
Mr. Edward R. Van Sant, Office of the Secretary of Defense
Mrs. Doris S. Whitnack, Department of State
25X1A9a [REDACTED], EIC/S Staff Economist
25X1A9a [REDACTED] EIC Executive Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. The minutes of the EIC meeting of 23 July 1957 were approved.

* Present during part of meeting only.

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INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBER

2. The Chairman introduced and welcomed to his first meeting Charles E. Grim, the new alternate representative of the Department of Commerce.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHAIRMAN:

3. The Chairman indicated that copies of the earlier EIC surveys of professional personnel engaged in economic intelligence research within the US Government would be distributed to the EIC representatives, and that in undertaking a new survey covering this field it would be necessary to rely heavily on the associate member agencies (see Item 7, EIC-M-61).

4. The Chairman announced that a coordinated statement on economic intelligence had been forwarded to the IAC Secretariat for use in the IAC Annual Report to the National Security Council on the Status of the Foreign Intelligence Program (see Item 5, EIC-M-61).

5. The Chairman announced that the EIC-approved statement of Priority National Economic Intelligence Objectives had been forwarded to the IAC and would be placed on the agenda for consideration at an early IAC meeting. The statement of Priority National Economic Intelligence Objectives had been reviewed by the Board of National Estimates for conformity to the basic Priority National Intelligence Objectives, as directed by the IAC, and was found to conform to DCID 4/6.

6. The Chairman announced that the CFEP had requested him and Mr. Terrill to arrange for brief, quarterly summaries of Sino-Soviet Bloc economic activities in underdeveloped areas for use by the Council. The first such summary, based largely on Biweekly Report materials, was well received.

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EIC-R14-S3, "SINO-SOVIET BLOC ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES IN UNDERDEVELOPED AREAS, 1 JANUARY THROUGH 30 JUNE 1957"

7. Discussion:

The Working Group-approved draft report was considered. The EIC representatives present (and the representative of the International Cooperation Administration in a previous communication) agreed that EIC-R14-S3 was a most satisfactory report, and the best in the series to date. A number of suggested modifications were discussed and agreed.

8. Action:

The EIC approved EIC-R14-S3, authorizing the Secretariat to incorporate the revisions which had been agreed and to make additional editorial changes as required. The Chairman, speaking for the EIC members, commended the Working Group and the Secretariat for their efforts and for the fine report they had produced.


Executive Secretary

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